

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of Pacific Gas and Electric Company for Authorization, Among Other Things, to Increase Rates and Charges for Electric and Gas Service Effective on January 1, 2007.

Application 05-12-002
(Filed December 2, 2005)

Order Instituting Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion into the Rates, Operations, Practices, Service and Facilities of Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

Investigation 06-03-003
(Filed March 2, 2006)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
GRANTING THE MOTION TO INTERVENE FILED BY
GAS TRANSMISSION NORTHWEST CORPORATION**

Motion

On March 23, 2006, Gas Transmission Northwest Corporation (GTNC) filed a motion to intervene in this proceeding pursuant to Rule 45 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. There was no response to the motion. GTNC was previously known as Pacific Gas Transmission Company. GTNC is now composed of two entities that deliver natural gas into California: (1) Gas Transmission Northwest (GTN), which transports Canadian gas into northern California; and (2) North Baja Pipeline (NBP), which transports San Juan, Permian and Rocky Mountain gas from Ehrenberg, Arizona at the California border near Blythe, south 80 miles to Ogilby, California. GTN can transport 2,900 MDth/day, and NBP can transport more than 500 MDth/day.

In Application 05-12-002, Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) seeks “to increase electric and gas rates and charges to collect the reasonable level of revenue requirements PG&E needs to continue to provide safe, reliable, and responsive gas and electric service to its customers.” GTNC states that because it interconnects with PG&E and the majority of GTN’s gas is delivered to PG&E and PG&E’s customers, any PG&E rate changes will affect GTN and most of GTN’s customers.

GTNC represents that it seeks to intervene in this proceeding “for purposes of any and all participation that might be appropriate.” GTNC expects to be an active participant. GTNC also asserts that its participation will not prejudice any party, delay the schedule, or expand the scope of this matter.

Ruling

GTNC appears to have genuine interests at stake in this proceeding. It does not appear that GTNC’s intervention will prejudice any party, delay the schedule, or expand the scope of this proceeding. Therefore, GTNC’s motion to intervene is granted. GTNC’s intervention is limited to issues within the scope of this proceeding as set forth in the Assigned Commissioner’s Ruling and Scoping Memo dated February 3, 2006.

GTNC shall be added to the service list for this proceeding as follows:

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Therefore, **IT IS RULED** that:

1. The motion to intervene filed by Gas Transmission Northwest Corporation (GTNC) is granted.
2. GTNC's intervention is limited to issues within the scope of this proceeding as set forth in the Assigned Commissioner's Ruling and Scoping Memo dated February 3, 2006.
3. GTNC shall be placed on the service list for this proceeding in the manner indicated in the body of this Ruling.

Dated April 11, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ TIMOTHY KENNEY

Timothy Kenney
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Granting the Motion to Intervene Filed by Gas Transmission Northwest Corporation on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated April 11, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ FANNIE SID

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